

New York March 19<sup>th</sup> 1844

Dear Henrietta,

Here are the lines which I mentioned in my last letter, but in my hurry forgot to enclose. They brought you and Catherine very vividly before me, and are therefore very pleasant to me.

Things look squally  
now, in good earnest.

Do they not? If Texas

is annexed, the plot will thicken fast; and the accursed system of violence and wrong will finally go down in an ocean of blood. Well, better so, than to ride rough shod, as it now does, over all that is dear to man, and holy in the sight of God.

Farewell. Heaven bless you both.

Yr affectionate & grateful friend,  
Maria.

Henrietta Sargent.

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